

RESOLUTION NO. 12-384

WHEREAS, the Taylor Family Reunion, hosted by Vernell (Irene) Turner, is to be held Memorial Day weekend (May 25-28, 2012) in Huntsville, Alabama; and,

WHEREAS, the Taylor Family Reunion Banquet will be held at the Holiday Inn, Research Park, on May 26, 2012. Other activities will include a picnic, meet and greet, tour of the Alabama Space and Rocket Center, and church services; and,

WHEREAS, on February 19, 1920, Samuel Taylor (9/19/1892-11/29/1969) and Lillia Hayes (8/3/1893-1/11/1970) became one; and,

WHEREAS, God blessed this union with eight children: Samuel Taylor, Jr. (1/1/21-12/14/84); Juhe Taylor (5/21/22-11/19/03); Frank Taylor (12/8/24-7/25/72); Irene Fredonia Taylor Roberts (10/6/26); Joseph Taylor (8/22/28); Robert Lee Taylor (9/19/30); Annie Taylor Williams (11/25/32-2/14/06); and Percy Lee Taylor (11/23/34-3/2/91); and,

WHEREAS, pursuing the stars, Frank, Robert, Juhe, Percy and Joseph journeyed to the State of New York where Frank and Robert became entrepreneurs. Frank became a self-employed beverage dealer, Robert became a self-employed taxi driver, while Juhe, employed at a naval hospital, worked part-time as a security guard at JFK Airport and is now a disabled veteran from the United States Army. Joseph drove a bus for the City of New York, and Percy was employed by the City of New York Parks and Recreation Department; and,

WHEREAS, after retirement, Joseph moved to Sumter, South Carolina; Juhe moved to Daphne, Alabama and later to Ocala, Florida; Robert, the only living sibling, remains in New York; and Frank and Percy remained in New York until their deaths; and,

WHEREAS, the remaining siblings decided to continue to make their home in Alabama where Samuel was employed at a chemical plant, Irene as an office manager for an insurance company, and Annie chose to become a housewife; and,

WHEREAS, on May 20-30, 1992, when the family gathered for a seventieth birthday party for Juhe in Ocala, Florida, Robert suggested the family hold a reunion every two years on Memorial Day weekend and made the first \$50 contribution to that cause; and,

WHEREAS, the Taylor Family Reunion began in 1994 in Orlando, Florida, and was hosted by Julie, Lisa, (Juhe) Keisa, Percy and Emanuel (Joseph) Taylor; and,

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WHEREAS, the Taylor family has a rich heritage and looks forward to a magnificent future as they gather for their 9th bi-annual family reunion. The reunion for 2006 was cancelled because of Hurricane Katrina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, on behalf of the Mayor and citizens of the City of Huntsville, wish to extend a warm welcome to the Taylor family on this special occasion.

ADOPTED this the 24th day of May, 2012.

President of the City Council of the
City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 24th day of May, 2012.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama